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E.O. 11652 GDS
TAGS SHUM, ELAB, AR
SUBJECT DEPUTY SECRETARY MEETINGS WITH ARGENTINE AMBASSADOR:
LABOR AND SAN JUSTO DISAPPEARANCES

REF: STATE 133806

1. WE ARE UNCERTAIN WHICH HUMAN RIGHTS CASE IS REFERRED TO IN PARA 26, REFTTEL, AS "LABOR LEADERS WHO HAD DISAPPEARED IN QUILMES IN DECEMBER." PLEASE PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION YOU MAY HAVE SO THAT WE CAN CHECK FURTHER. COULD THIS BE A REFERENCE TO THE REPORTED RUMORS (PARA 5, BUENOS AIRES 2677) OF THE DISAPPEARANCE OF A LARGE NUMBER OF CERAMICS WORKERS AND UNION ACTIVISTS, REPORTEDLY IN NOVEMBER 1977, IN CONNECTION WITH LABOR STRIFE AT THE LOZADUR CERAMICS PLANTS IN THE NORTHERN OUTSKIRTS OF THE FEDERAL CAPITAL (NOWHERE NEAR QUILMES)? ARA/ECA'S RONDON RAISED THIS LATTER CASE AGAIN DURING RECENT VISIT AND AS RESULT WE ARE MAKING A NEW EFFORT TO SEEK CONFIRMATION.

2. IT WOULD BE USEFUL IF DEPARTMENT COULD CITE SOURCE, IF AVAILABLE, FOR DENUNCIATIONS YOU RECEIVE THROUGH INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS GRAPEVINE, OR SUPPORT MECHANISM SINCE THEY MAY HAVE NOT CIRCULATED IN ARGENTINA OR OTHERWISE MAY HAVE

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BYPASSED US HERE. SUCH LEADS WOULD BE HELPFUL TO US IN SEARCHING STORIES OUT FURTHER

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3. A NUMBER OF NAMES OF PERSONS ARRESTED/
 DISAPPEARED IN CONNECTION WITH THE SAN JUSTO
 EVENTS WAS GIVEN US BY AP CORRESPONDENT RICHARD
 BOUDREAUX (STRICTLY PROTECT). THESE WERE
 POUCHED TO ARA/ECA AND HA IN THE FORM OF
 BOUDREAUX'S -- STILL UNPUBLISHED, TO OUR
 KNOWLED -- STORY AND PERSONAL NOTEDS.

4. THE FOLLOWING ARE THE NAMES AND DISPOSITION, IF KNOWN OF PER-
 SONS CONNECTED WITH THE SAN JUSTO MASS AND THE BLOCK 17 WORKERS
 HOUSING PROJECT WHO HAVE BEEN REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN ARRESTED IN
 SECURITY FORCE TYPE OPERATIONS.

DATE OF ARREST/ DISAPPEARANCE	NAME	INFORMATION
4-8-78	ARAUJO, AURELIANO	PRESIDENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
3-26-78	ARAUJO, ESTANISLAO	AGE: 18
3-26-78	ARAUJO, OLGA	AGE: 16
3-27-78	BARBERAN, RODOLFO ATILIO	AGE: 30 NEIGHBORHOOD LEADER
3-26-78	BARZA, ISMAEL	AGE: 21

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3-26-78	-BERTRUCH, MANUEL	AGE: 26 DOCTOR
4-8-78	DE LEON, ABEL	
4-8-78	DE LEON, LINA A DE	
4-5-78	ERENU DE LIWSKY, HILDA NOR	SUBSEQUENTLY RELEASED (DR)
4-6-78	GARCIA FERNANDEZ, FRANCISCO	(DR)
3-26-78	GUEMES, ELISA	AGE: 25
3-29-78	HEUMAN, JORGE	(DR)

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4-5-78	LIBERMAN DE TARQUINI, NORA	
4-6-78	LIWSKY, NORBERTO	(DR)
3-30-78	MANSILLA	SUBSEQUENTLY RELEASED (DR)
3-26-78	MARRON, MARIA AMALIA	AGE: 20
3-30-78	PRIETO, CARLOS	SUBSEQUENTLY RELEASED
4-5-78	TARQUINI, LUIS	

5. AMBASSADOR CASTRO PLANS TO PRESENT NAMES
CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPH 4 TO SENIOR GOA OFFICIALS
THE NEXT TIME HE HAS AN APPROPRIATE APPOINTMENT TO
SEEK EXPLANATION FOR REPORTED DISAPPEARANCES.
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